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Fulton Lewis Jr said here Monday night "the President of the United States is a prisoner."

He spoke to more than 400 persons at the annual dinner meeting of the Dallas Public Affairs Luchon Club in the Baker Hotel.

"Civil Service has government so bogged down that President Eisenhower cannot put his people far enough down in government to do anything about the ills of civil service," he said.

And "civil service is the enemy of progress," he said.

The radio and TV newscaster then discussed Radio Free Europe, and said "Fletcher Bartholomew was mentally murdered by psychiatrists. Bartholomew of Radio Free Europe was committed to an Army mental hospital when there was nothing wrong with him and the Army admitted it."

Commenting on Bernard Schwartz's being fired Monday as chief counsel of the House of Representatives' sub-committee investigating the Federal Communications Commission, Lewis said, "Schwartz doesn't look too good to me--he should visit Dale Carnegie and learn how to win some friends."

Lewis also said he "saw no evil motive on Mr. Schwartz's part."

He also praised the Dallas Public Affairs Luchon Club and thanked it for one of the resolutions it passed Monday night before his talk.

The resolution called for a complete Senate Internal Security Committee investigation of the Crusade for Freedom and Radio Free Europe.

The resolution also credited Fulton Lewis Jr. and his investigations with leaving "small doubt that Communists have infiltrated the European management of Radio Free Europe."